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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/741,191
Filing Date	December 21, 2000
First Named Inventor	Toshiyuki Hasegawa
Group Art Unit	3611
Examiner Name	Lum, Lee S.
Attorney Docket Number	0666.1640000/ALF/EDH

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See *Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice*, Interim Rule, 65 *Fed. Reg.* 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 *Off. Gaz. Pat. Office* 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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 a. ■ Previously submitted
 i. ■ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on January 6, 2003 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
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 b. ☐ Other _____
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Re: U.S. Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/741,191; Filed: December 21, 2000
For: **Multi-Wheel-Driving Vehicle**
Inventor: Toshiyuki HASEGAWA
Our Ref: 0666.1640000/ALF/EDH

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal;
2. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
3. Supplemental Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
4. Return postcard; and
5. Form PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form authorizing a charge in the amount of $750.00 to cover Request for Continued Examination.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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In reply to the Advisory Action dated **January 17, 2003**, Applicant submits the following Remarks.

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